

SEC. 2. Any national forest lands which are transferred to a military department in accordance with this Act shall be thereafter subject only to the laws applicable to other lands within the military installation or other public works project for which such lands are required and any lands which are transferred to the Department of Agriculture in accordance with this Act shall become subject to the laws applicable to lands acquired under the Act of March 1, 1911 (36 Stat. 961), as amended.

Approved July 26, 1956.

Laws applicable.

16 USC 552.

## Public Law 805

## CHAPTER 737

### AN ACT

To require periodic survey by the Secretary of Commerce of national shipbuilding capability.

July 26, 1956  
[S. 3705]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 502 (f) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following two new sentences: "The Secretary of Commerce, with the advice of and in coordination with the Secretary of the Navy, shall periodically, as required for purposes of this Act, survey the existing privately owned shipyards capable of merchant ship construction, or review available data on such shipyards if deemed adequate, to determine whether their capabilities for merchant ship construction, including facilities and skilled personnel, provide an adequate mobilization base at strategic points for purposes of national defense and national emergency. The Secretary of Commerce, in connection with ship construction, reconstruction, reconditioning, or remodeling under title VII and section 509, and the Federal Maritime Board, in connection with ship construction, reconstruction, or reconditioning under title V (except section 509), upon a basis of a finding that the award of the proposed construction, reconstruction, reconditioning, or remodeling work will remedy an existing inadequacy in such mobilization base as to the capabilities and capacities of a shipyard or shipyards at a strategic point, and after taking into consideration the benefits accruing from standardized construction, the conditions of unemployment, and the needs and reasonable requirements of all shipyards, may, with the approval of the President, allocate such construction, reconstruction, reconditioning, or remodeling to such yard or yards in such manner as it may be determined to be fair, just, and reasonable to all sections of the country, subject to the provisions of this subsection."

Shipbuilding,  
Capability survey.  
52 Stat. 957.  
46 USC 1152.

46 USC 1191-  
1204, 1159, 1151-  
1161.

Approved July 26, 1956.

## Public Law 806

## CHAPTER 738

### AN ACT

To provide for the disposal of the Government-owned synthetic rubber research laboratories at Akron, Ohio.

July 26, 1956  
[S. 3832]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Government laboratories at Akron, Ohio, now under control of the National Science Foundation are hereby transferred to the General Services

Rubber research  
laboratories,  
Akron, Ohio,  
Disposal.